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SUBJECT: LEAHY VETTING RESPONSE ( TBILISI 127)

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- 11. (U) This cable responds to the action request in reftel requesting human rights vetting for the candidate nominated to attend the INTERNATIONAL MILITARY OFFICER COURSE ON MARCH 15 MAY 25, 2010 IN YORKTOWN, VA.
- 12. (SBU) The Department of State has vetted the individual listed in reftel and possesses no credible derogatory information as of 02/19/2010. Post is authorized to include the following individual in USG-funded training:

NAME: Paata Vashakidze;

ORGANIZATION: Georgian Coast Guard;

TITLE: Coast Guard Officer;

DOB: July 14, 1980;

PLACE OF BIRTH: Ochamchire, Georgia;

SEX: Male;

NATIONALITY: Georgian; PASSPORT NUMBER: 07PA40711; EXPIRATION DATE: July 10, 2018

- 13. (U) Post is permitted to provide the following statement to authorized parties: Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the individual identified above, as of 02/19/2010. Post may cite this cable in response.
- 14. (SBU) Note that if Post subsequently becomes aware of possible human rights violations by the individual listed above, Post should inform the Department and not proceed with training. Post should refer to the Leahy Vetting guidance manual for additional assistance. CLINTON